

Abstract

A steering wheel (10) comprises a rim portion (14), a spoke portion (18), and a foamed padding material (20) that is adhered to at least one of the rim portion (14) and the spoke portion (18). The foamed padding material (20) includes a first portion (89) and a second portion (90). The first portion (89) has a cellular structure (92) and a substantially uniform cell density. The second portion (90) has a continuous external surface free of interruption by a cell. The foamed padding material (20) comprises a gasified chemical foaming agent and thermoplastic polyolefin elastomer.